

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1 - 6 (canceled)

7 (new): An optical information recording medium comprising:
a transparent substrate,
a recording layer provided on said transparent substrate,
a reflection layer provided on said recording layer,
a hydrophobic protective layer provided on said reflection layer,
a hydrophobic intermediate layer provided on said hydrophobic protective layer, said intermediate layer having a thickness of 2 to 8 μm , and
an ink receiving layer provided on said hydrophobic intermediate layer.

8 (new): The optical information recording medium as claimed in Claim 7, wherein the intermediate layer is colored.

9 (new): The optical information recording medium as claimed in Claim 7, wherein said intermediate layer has a thickness of 4 to 6 μm .